

MINUTES

MONTANA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES 56th LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION

COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Call to Order: By **CHAIRMAN TOM ZOOK**, on January 21, 1999 at 3:10 P.M., in Room 312 - 2 Capitol.

ROLL CALL

Members Present:

Rep. Tom Zook, Chairman (R)
Rep. Joe Quilici, Vice Chairman (D)
Rep. Steve Vick, Vice Chairman (R)
Rep. Beverly Barnhart (D)
Rep. Ernest Bergsagel (R)
Rep. Peggy Bergsagel (R)
Rep. Rosalie (Rosie) Buzzas (D)
Rep. John Cobb (R)
Rep. Dick Haines (R)
Rep. Royal Johnson (R)
Rep. Betty Lou Kasten (R)
Rep. Matt McCann (D)
Rep. Red Menahan (D)
Rep. Ray Peck (D)
Rep. Lila Taylor (R)
Rep. Joe Tropila (D)
Rep. John Witt (R)

Members Excused: None.

Members Absent: Rep. Stan Fisher (R)

Staff Present: Joanne Gunderson, Committee Secretary
Taryn Purdy, Legislative Fiscal Division

Please Note: These are summary minutes. Testimony and discussion are paraphrased and condensed. These minutes were recorded on a Sony BI-85 transcriber and references are measured in inches rather than minutes.

Committee Business Summary:

Hearing(s) Posted: HB 10, HB 12, HB 131, HB 2246, 1/18/1999

HEARING ON HB 246

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Ray Peck, HD 91, made opening remarks on HB 246.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 0 - 16}

Proponents' Testimony:

Gordon Morris, Montana Association of Counties (MACo)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 16 - 30}

Mary Phippen, Montana Association of Clerks of District Court

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 30~~EXHIBIT~~ (aph16a01)}

Opponents' Testimony: None

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None.

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 42 - 44}

HEARING ON HB 10

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Joe Quilici, HD 36, made opening remarks on HB 10 and submitted an amendment with which he agreed. ~~EXHIBIT~~ (aph16a02)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 44 - 76}

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

Rep. E. Bergsagel gave the subcommittee's report and recommendations on the proposed amendments.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 76 - 95}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses: None

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 95 - 127}

HEARING ON HB 12

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Joe Quilici, HD 36, presented opening remarks on HB 12.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 127 ~~EXHIBIT~~ (aph16a03)}

Proponents' Testimony: None

Opponents' Testimony: None

Informational Testimony:

Rep. E. Bergsagel presented the subcommittee report on recommendations and amendments.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 164 - 177}

Tom Livers, Department of Environmental Quality ~~EXHIBIT~~ (aph16a04)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 177 - 194}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 194 - 208}

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 208 - 218}

HEARING ON HB 131

Opening Statement by Sponsor:

Rep. Betty Lou Kasten, HD 99, gave opening remarks on HB 131.

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 218 - 253}

Proponents' Testimony:

Mick Robinson, Office of the Governor

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 253 - 395, Comments:

Mr. Robinson did not sign the visitors register.}

Rep. Bill Eggers, HD 6 proposed an amendment. ~~EXHIBIT~~ (aph16a05)

{Tape : 1; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 395 - Side : B;

Approximate Time Counter: 000}

Attorney General Joe Mazurek

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 2 - 43}

Dennis Alexander, American Lung Association

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 43 - 83}

Jeri Domme, American Heart Association

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 83 - 136}

Art Dickhoff, American Cancer Society

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 136 - 156}

Jim Ahrens, President, Montana Hospital Association **EXHIBIT**(aph16a06)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 156 - 225; Comments :
Mr. Ahrens did not sign the visitors register.}

Kip Smith, Montana Primary Care Association **EXHIBIT**(aph16a07)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 225 - 253}

Joan Miles, Lewis & Clark County Health Department **EXHIBIT**(aph16a08)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 253 - 278}

Evelyn Harskjeld, Montana Elderly Aging Services

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 278 - 300}

Tiffani Gleason, Center for Adolescent Development

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 300 - 348}

Paula Barnocky, Bozeman Tobacco Free Coalition

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 348 - 371}

Verner Bertelsen, Montana Senior Citizens Association

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 371 - 400}

Jim Kreig, Billings

EXHIBIT(aph16a09)

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 400 - 421}

Howard Hammer, Governor's Council on Aging

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 421 - 442}

Nancy Davis Walberg

{Tape : 1; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 442 - Tape: 2; Side:
A; Approximate Time Counter: 064; Comments : Ms. Walberg did not
sign the visitors register, spoke with a mechanical device, tape
is not clear.}

Gary Tomes, Voice Against Tobacco

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 64 - 79}

Glen Leavitt, Montana University System

EXHIBIT(aph16a10)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 79 - 120; Comments :
Exhibit 10 consists of 8 pages}

Chuck Butler, Montana Comprehensive Health Association/Blue Cross
Blue Shield **EXHIBIT**(aph16a11)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 120 - 186; Comments :
Mr. Butler did not sign in and presented a proposed amendment,
Exhibit 11.}

Paul Fitzgerald, Billings **EXHIBIT**(aph16a12)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 186 - 205; Comments :
Chairman Zook relinquished the chair to Vice Chair Vick.}

Jerry Loendorf, Montana Medical Association **EXHIBIT**(aph16a13)

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 205 - 248}

Sen. Duane Grimes, SD 20

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 248 - 404; Comments :
Recommended creating a trust fund.}

Jim Smith, American Cancer Society

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 404 - 435}

Diane Hoffman, Helena

{Tape : 2; Side : A; Approx. Time Counter : 435 - Side: B;
Approx. Time Counter: 005}

Opponents' Testimony: None.

Informational Testimony:

Rep. Vick **EXHIBIT**(aph16a14)

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 5 - 66; Comments :
Rep. Vick read Exhibit 14 into the record.}

Questions from Committee Members and Responses:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 66 - 197; Comments :
Exhibits 15 and 16 were handed in at the end of the meeting
without oral testimony.}

EXHIBIT(aph16a15)

EXHIBIT(aph16a16)

Closing by Sponsor:

{Tape : 2; Side : B; Approx. Time Counter : 197 ~~EXHIBIT~~ **EXHIBIT**(aph16a17)}

ADJOURNMENT

Adjournment: 5:10 P.M.

REP. TOM ZOOK, Chairman

JOANNE GUNDERSON, Secretary

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EXHIBIT (aph16aad)